

New UMCDF Site Project Manager selected

The U.S. Army Chemical Materials Agency (CMA) has announced Mr. Gary M. Anderson as the new site project manager (SPM) for the Umatilla Chemical Agent Disposal Facility (UMCDF). He will assume the SPM position on July 3 taking over for Mr. Mike Strong, who will serve as a deputy SPM.



Since 2003, Anderson has been the SPM for the Pueblo Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant in Pueblo, Colo. During this time, he was the lead government engineer responsible for management of the pilot plant's field office and oversight of Bechtel, Pueblo, the plant's systems contractor.

Anderson is familiar with CMA and the UMCDF, since he served at UMCDF as the deputy SPM for three years. Prior to this, he was the shift engineer at the Army's Johnston Atoll Chemical Agent Disposal System, known as JACADS, the first chemical weapons disposal facility. He was responsible for daily oversight of Washington Demilitarization Company plant operations. During his tenure at JACADS, operators destroyed the mustard and VX stockpiles.

"With Mr. Anderson back in the CMA community and having unique knowledge of our program, he strengthens our commitment and expertise to rid our nation of chemical weapons," says CMA Director Conrad Whyne.

CMA remains committed to the safe and timely destruction of the nation's chemical agent and chemical warfare materiel. Final blister agent campaigns continue at CMA's four remaining destruction sites in Anniston, Ala.; Pine Bluff, Ark.; Tooele, Utah; and Umatilla, Ore. CMA continues to safely store chemical agent munitions at the Assembled Chemical Weapons Alternative sites near Richmond, Ky. and at Pueblo, Colo.

For more information about CMA, please visit www.cma.army.mil.

UMCDF Highlights

- It has been 1,440 days, or more than 6.6 million work hours, since a lost-time accident occurred at the UMCDF (July 7, 2006).

Umatilla Chemical Agent Disposal Facility Processing (June 10 - 16, 2010)

Total number of originally stockpiled HD-filled ton containers destroyed this period	27
Total number of originally stockpiled HD-filled ton containers destroyed to date	351
Percentage of originally stockpiled HD-filled ton containers destroyed to date	13.3
Total "recipient" HD ton containers* destroyed this period	6
Total "recipient" HD ton containers* destroyed to date	185
Pounds of HD agent destroyed this period	42,170
Pounds of HD agent destroyed to date	605,539
Pounds of total agent destroyed to date <i>Includes GB, VX and HD</i>	3,858,893
Total munitions destroyed to date since start of operations (Sept. 7, 2004) <i>including non-stockpile GB and VX ton containers</i>	218,334
Nominal tons of chemical agent destroyed to date	1,680.63
Percentage of total agent tons destroyed	45.21

*Recipient ton containers are byproducts of mustard disposal and were not a part of the original stockpile.

UMCD/UMCDF Milestones

- June 11, 2009:** Began first HD ton container destruction in the Metal Parts Furnace (MPF).
- June 4, 2009:** First HD ton containers transported from depot storage to disposal plant.
- Nov. 5, 2008:** Completed VX munitions campaign.
- Oct. 26, 2007:** Began VX munitions campaign.
- July 8, 2007:** Completed GB munitions campaign.
- Sept. 7, 2004:** Began GB munitions campaign.

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